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REPORTS from Ohio indicate that McLean-Bushnell "bar" is very much in evidence in Columbus these cool, wintry days.

If for no other reason than to keep the Hawaiian Islands out of other hands, the United States should annex them speedily.

It may take some little time before that little affair at Columbus will be settled. Here's hoping that it will be settled in Senator Hanna's favor.

A BANK in Kentucky, recently chartered, was opened with prayer. The average depositor, however, will prefer good and honest financing to praying by the officials of the institution.

A GEORGIA express agent recently stole \$15,000 from his company, and when captured had \$15,077 on his person. These blamed express companies are lucky devils indeed; they seem to have it all their own way.

THE people of this city and county should do something toward the passage of the bill for the permanent location of the capital here. They should not wait until the last moment and then rush about frantically, shouting at each other to do something.

THE average New England girl knows what she wants and is not slow in stating it. A Boston girl got her lover to propose last Christmas by giving him a silver mustache cup on which was inscribed in letters of gold, "Love the Giver." He took the hint promptly.

THE boards of county commissioners and collectors of taxes in some of the counties of the territory need prodding up with a sharp stick; in some instances, with the sharp stick of removal and of placing men into these offices who will do their duty and look after the prompt collection of taxes.

THE whole country seems satisfied that Mr. Eckels has been retired from the comptrollership of the currency. The man has been a good deal of a nuisance during the entire Cleveland administration and for some months under the present administration, and the people are glad that the nuisance has been abated.

THE first annual exhibition of the New Mexico Horticultural society held in this city last September was an unqualified success. Interest in this important matter should not be allowed to lag and work for the second exhibition, to be held in this city this year, cannot commence too soon.

Just think of it, in a very few months New Mexico will again be in the throes of a political campaign. The two great parties are already getting ready for the fray and the Pops are considering which way to jump and where to get the most boodle for their jump. Last year they jumped into the Democratic camp and landed the Democratic nominee for delegate to congress successfully. What they will do during the present year is as yet problematical.

If the postoffice inspectors for this territory would do their duty, the official heads of a few Democratic postmasters would fall by the wayside and that in short order. But the postoffice inspectors that have been doing this territory once in a while under the late unlamented Cleveland administration are not built that way. They have eyes, that do not see, and ears, that do not hear, when it comes to the short comings and derelictions of duty by Democratic postmasters in sunny New Mexico.

THE vast majority of the good people of the territory desire the capital located permanently in this city and the vexed question taken from territorial politics. During the past 14 years the capital removal agitation has been productive of nothing but corruption and boodling and has simply been the means of allowing some corrupt legislators and lobbyists to fleece the people of Santa Fe and Albuquerque. The passage of the bill, introduced by Delegate Ferguson, for the permanent location of the capital in this city and its becoming law, is greatly desired by the decent and honest voters by a large majority and would be a great step forward toward territorial advancement and the purifying of legislative doings.

A Word to the Board of Equalization. The territorial board of equalization meets on Monday. A fair and just valuation should be placed by that body upon all taxable property, a valuation just and fair alike to the commonwealth and to

the tax payers. It is a well known fact that live stock of all kinds has advanced greatly in value during the past year. In some cases the prices for which such stock can be sold being doubled. This fact should be taken into careful consideration and acted upon accordingly; merchants have been doing a very profitable business during the past 12 months and this should be duly considered. The property of corporations has advanced in value and this fact should be heeded. The people expect the board of equalization to do its duty fearlessly and fairly and the New Mexican hopes that the people will not be disappointed and that the best interests of the territory will be heeded by the board.

Democratic Nonsense.

The eastern Silver-Democratic papers are promising a "silver fight" in congress, that will eclipse any and all previous efforts of the Democratic party to discredit the Republicans. These papers say that the old Stanley Matthews resolution, which was passed in 1878 and "now stands on the statutes as a dead letter," will be introduced in the senate and referred to the committee on finance, which favors the resolution, and will at once be reported favorably, and thus precipitate a row, and a number of senators who have been fencing on the money question will be smoked out.

The Matthews resolution declares that the policy of this government is to pay its debts in gold or silver at its option. Just how a fight can be gotten out of that resolution is somewhat difficult to understand. The resolution is now the law of the land and it is the option of the government to pay its obligations in gold. The party in power has heretofore constituted the government, and if President McKinley sees fit to continue gold payments he can do so without violating any law whatever. Unless the silver men are able to make the payment of government obligations in silver mandatory, the re-passing of the Matthews resolution will accomplish nothing, and effect no change in the present manner of doing business at the treasury. The talk of forcing a fight on the silver question by presenting the resolution mentioned is nonsense.

The Independent Man in Politics.

Since the retirement of Mr. James H. Eckels from the office of the comptroller of the currency there has been considerable talk in the mugwump papers about the independent man in politics and the position he holds in affairs of that kind. The independent man in politics certainly occupies a peculiar position, which is best illustrated by a little story told by a prominent man in Illinois during the last campaign in that state.

He had become dissatisfied with the Republican party and joined the Democrats in search of reform, and from that party drifted into the ranks of the so-called independents. When that novelty wore off he returned to his first love and in relating his experience said: "I soon found that I was not big enough myself to make a party of much influence, but that did not bother me much until I began to look about for associates, and then I found that I was the most lonesome man in the whole country. Since I could accomplish nothing by myself, I concluded that if all that was the matter with me was a needed dose of reform, I had had a plenty and at once came back to the only political party that had ever done anything for the country."

That is about all there is to the situation. A man who imagines that he is an independent in politics usually finds himself very lonesome, he has no influence, can secure no change in existing conditions, and realizes that as a political party he is a failure in every respect.

The only way to secure reform in politics is to remain with the party that promises most in that way and work for a betterment of conditions through the strength of that party. Independence in politics is a very pretty theory, but it does not work out in practice.

Actuated by Sordid Motives.

There is no longer any doubt entertained by a great majority of the senate concerning the advisability of annexing the Hawaiian Islands at the earliest possible moment. The condition of affairs in the Orient has demonstrated the wisdom of taking the islands under the stars and stripes and action on the treaty in the senate will be taken at an early day, but an opposition to the ratification of that treaty has sprung up that is a little difficult to understand.

That opposition comes from the senators from the western states and is caused by a fear that the sugar interests of their states will suffer from the competition Hawaiian sugar would offer. The admittance of the islands would remove the tariff on sugar sent to the United States from the islands, and the price of that article might possibly be forced down a few cents the hundred pounds. Another source of opposition comes from the men who have controlled the sugar lands on the islands under leases. Should the treaty be ratified the lands will pass from the control of the present holders through purchase, and leases could not be renewed upon as favorable terms as under the present condition of affairs.

The anti-annexation lobby at Washington is already at work. It is headed by the sugar kings of the islands, the sugar planters of the south and a few western senators and representatives. How successful they will be remains to be seen, but there is not much doubt of a failure. In this matter, as in pretty much everything else concerning the country, that reaches the legislative halls of the capitol, politics enters into it. If the eastern Republicans find that they can uphold the president in his Hawaiian policy and still not offend the western Republicans, the treaty will be ratified

without any trouble, but should the opposition be able to convince the friends of the measure that the western people will act ugly over it, there will be considerable difficulty in securing that ratification.

The popular supposition is that when a man is sent to congress, either as a representative or senator, that he is sent to look after the welfare of his own state particularly and of the nation in general, and incidentally to advance the interests of his party, but when matters of great moment come up which concern the safety of the country that all other considerations are to be laid aside; country first, local affairs and politics next. But in the matter of securing possession of the most important and strategic islands on our western coast many members of congress seem to be actuated by sordid motives wholly. Should a squabble arise over the treaty and the measure fail of ratification, Great Britain will not lose a moment in raising the British flag over the islands and at once proclaim to the world that by the grace of the Lord (and the foolishness of the Americans) the lands growing sugar cane, the admirable bays and stations on the coasts if the Hawaiian Islands were hers, and the Monroe doctrine might be hanged or fought for. The easiest and most satisfactory way out of the difficulty is to annex the islands to this country at once and settle the matter for all time.

SHE SQUELCHED HIM.

She Had Married a Negro and Told Him Why It Happened.

"Uncle Josh" Perkins, a well known New England tin peddler, whose cheery face and well stocked cart are familiar features of the landscape between the Berkshire hills and Boston, tells the following good story, in which he for once in his life got the worst of the argument:

"In a certain town on my route lives a white woman whose husband is a decided brute, or, in other words, a full blooded African."

"I was in blissful ignorance of this somewhat mixed state of affairs, however, and one day I sold the lady in question a quantity of tinware from my cart, in payment for which she tendered me a \$5 bill. I happened to be a little short of change, and she said if I didn't mind stepping out back of the barn, where her husband was at work, he probably would change the bill for me."

"I didn't mind in the least, and I stepped out there, but presently came back with the bill in my hand and reported that I was unable to find her husband."

"Sure he wasn't there?" asked the woman.

"I'll take my oath to it, madam," said I glibly. "I looked all around, and there was nobody out there but an old coon back in the lot a ways digging potatoes!"

"Coon, eh? I want you to understand that the gentleman to whom you thus refer is my lawful husband!" snapped she indignantly.

"Your husband?" I gasped in astonishment. "Surely you don't mean it?"

"She assured me that she certainly did mean it, so there was nothing left for me to do but apologize, and I promptly did so in my most elaborate and abject style. "I had things nicely smoothed over, and then like a blundering numbskull that I was I had to go to work and spoil it all by asking a question that popped into my head just then. Said I:

"Excuse me, madam, but just out of curiosity I'd like to know how an intelligent, good looking white woman like you came to marry a coon—I should say colored man?"

"Her eyes flashed fire for an instant; then a sarcastic twinkle crept into them, and after slowly looking me over from head to foot she replied:

"Well, mister, seeing you are so terribly curious about the matter, I'll tell you how it happened. When I was a young woman, I had my choice between marrying a tin peddler and a coon, as you express it, and I took the coon!"

"I've traveled around considerably in my time," concluded Uncle Josh, with a reminiscent sigh, "and I've crossed wits with everybody and anybody that came along, but I never was so completely and thoroughly squelched as I was on that occasion. I collected my bill and got my tin peddler's cart under motion without asking any more questions, you can bet."—Will S. Gidley in New York Sunday World.

Dr. Johnson and the Widow.

In the book "Love Affairs of Some Famous Men" the story is recalled of Dr. Johnson and the widow whom he made his wife. He believed in the exchange of matrimonial confidence in regard to disagreeable matters, so he told her plainly that he was of humble extraction; that he had no money, and that one of his uncles had been hanged. The sensible woman responded cleverly and said she had more money than he, and that, though none of her relatives had been hanged, she had several who ought to be.

When They See the Barber.

"Yes," admitted the dealer, "the price of hairdressers is a little high now, but it won't be long before there will be more hair thrown on the market than we know what to do with, and then we'll have the regular annual slump."

"What occasions it?"

"The close of the football season, of course."—Chicago Record.

The Boy From the Family Flat.

Teacher—Willie, that is not the way to spell "emperor." You should not end the word with an "e-r." If you will notice, all titles denoting power and greatness at least most of them—end with "e-r."

Willie—Oh, I see. Just like "janitor."—Indianapolis Journal.

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Cold Weather Brings Catarrh.

Though the disagreeable effects of Catarrh are felt all the year round, cold and disagreeable weather aggravates the disease and it is during the winter season that its severest form is felt. Each succeeding year seems to intensify the disease, so that it gradually fastens its hold upon the sufferer with a grasp that becomes firmer each season.

Catarrh often appears as only a cold at first, and is hardly noticed. But gradually the cold returns, and it is more difficult to cure, and stays longer than formerly. These symptoms can't be mistaken; they mark the first appearance of a disease that will develop in severity and stubbornness, and which it is impossible to cure with the local treatment of sprays, washes, and similar applications. Being a disease of the blood, only a blood remedy can have the slightest effect upon it. S.S.S. (Swift's Specific) is the only cure for Catarrh, because it is the only blood remedy which goes to the seat of all obstinate and deep-seated cases, and forces out the disease.

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He succeeded in killing a big white buck weighing about 225 pounds, and he left on the next train for home, after having been here only three days. The buck was almost as white as snow. There was a patch of brown hair on his right side near the rump. When the man arrived in Bangor, he met a taxidermist, who bought the deer at a handsome price. The taxidermist said that he has mounted only one white deer in his life, and that was for a London man who wanted it to present to the British museum.



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